# Public Assistance Program Integrity/Fraud Prevention Ad Hoc Subcommittee Meeting March 11, 2004

# Attendance:

Rick Zynda, DHFS/DHCF/BEM; Richard Basiliere, Outagamie County DHHS; Charles Billings, DHFS/DHCF; Barry Chase, DHFS/DWCH; Richard Eddings, Dane County; Nancy Foss, DHFS/DHCF; Virginia Wiedenfeld, Richland County; Pam Vassh, Racine County; Fay Simonini, DWD/DWS/PACU; Chloe Bodine, DHFS/DHCF; Mike Poma, Milwaukee County; Gloria Guitan, Milwaukee County; Jim Borgeson, Douglas County

### Phone in attendees: None

The meeting was called to order by Rick Zynda at 9:35 a.m. The minutes of February 12, 2004 were discussed and approved.

## **Updates:**

Virginia Wiedenfeld last meeting will be May 2004

Rick said that the final Public Assistance Program Integrity/Fraud Prevention Programs Ad Hoc Subcommittee recommendations draft would need to be completed by the April meeting so it can be presented to the IMAC subcommittee in April. There was a lot of discussion on the March 9, 2004 draft.

The subcommittee made several changes that Rich will incorporate in the draft and will send them out to all members by March 25, 2004. Members are advised to give comments and recommendations to the draft before the next meeting on April 1, 2004. E-mail the changes to Rich before the meeting to save time.

Fay was asking if MA collections going to be a part of the document. Benefit recovery will be included.

Fay received a call for a county asking her abut the fraud program/funding. She said that there might be some counties out there that may not know about the fraud plan.

# **Program Integrity Meeting with DWD & DHFS**

Attended by Rich, Rick, Fay, and DWD Deputy Secretary. Items discussed:

- 1. Need to look at funding for 2005.
- 2. Funding local agencies with GPR.
- 3. Having a supervisor overseeing the fraud program for the State.
- 4. Providing a 15% retention of child care benefit recoveries. This would offer an incentive to local agencies to increase Program Integrity activity in child care.
- 5. Funding for child care provider fraud investigations.

Rich said that we need to look at the big picture for all public assistance programs that are administered by DWD and DHFS.

DWD said that the Governor is concerned about integrity of the Child Care program.

#### Administrator's Memos Status:

Charles said that the 2004 Fraud Contracts are out and you can find them ADM – 03-09. The county plans for 2004 are due by April 15, 2004.

Barry said that they are still waiting for FSN response to change reporting policy interpretations.

Submitted by Jim Borgeson 3/16/04